

## Chapter DHS 119

# **AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATION TRAINING FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIANS, FIRST RESPONDERS AND INDIVIDUALS WHO PROVIDE INSTRUCTION TO EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIANS AND FIRST RESPONDERS**

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**DHS 119.01 Authority and purpose.** This chapter is promulgated under the authority of s. 256.15 (9m), Stats., to require emergency medical technicians, first responders, and individuals who provide instruction to emergency medical technicians or first responders to successfully complete training on the use of an automated external defibrillator and to establish the content and frequency of the required training, and the qualifications of providers of instruction.

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**DHS 119.02 Applicability.** This chapter applies to emergency medical technicians and first responders, individuals, organizations, and institutions of higher education that provide instruction on the use of an automated external defibrillator.

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**DHS 119.03 Definitions.** In this chapter:

(1) “Automated external defibrillator” or “AED” has the meaning given in s. 256.15 (1) (cr), Stats.

(2) “Approved provider” means any of the following:

- (a) American Heart Association.
- (b) American Red Cross.
- (c) American Safety and Health Institute.
- (d) American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons.
- (e) Medic First Aid.

(f) Other programs as identified and approved by the department.

(3) “Cardiopulmonary resuscitation” or “CPR” means a combination of rescue breathing and chest compressions delivered to an individual believed to be in cardiac arrest.

(4) “Emergency medical technician” or “EMT” has the meaning given in s. 256.01 (5), Stats.

(5) “First responder” has the meaning given in s. 256.01 (9), Stats.

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**DHS 119.04 Training content and frequency.**

(1) Each emergency medical technician, first responder, and each

individual who provides instruction to EMTs or first responders shall successfully complete one of the following courses at least every 2 years:

(a) American Heart Association — CPR for the Healthcare Professional course.

(b) American Red Cross — CPR for the Professional Rescuer course.

(c) American Safety and Health Institute—CPR Pro — Professional Level CPR and AED course.

(d) Emergency Care and Safety Institute — American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons Professional Rescuer CPR course.

(e) Medic First Aid — Basic Life Support for Professionals course.

(f) Other programs as identified and approved by the department.

(2) All of the training courses specified under sub. (1) shall be provided by an instructor who is employed by or under contract with an approved provider and include instruction in all of the following:

(a) How to recognize life-threatening cardiac emergencies.

(b) How to perform adult, child and infant CPR at the professional level, including the performance of CPR by one person or two and the use of medical devices to help an individual breathe.

(c) How to use an automated external defibrillator on persons of any appropriate age.

(d) How to clear the airway of a conscious or unconscious person who is choking.

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**DHS 119.05 Instructor qualifications. (1)** An individual who provides CPR or AED instruction to an emergency medical technician, first responder, or a person who is required as a condition of licensure, certification, or registration to have current proficiency in the use of an AED, shall meet all of the qualifications, including qualifications for frequency of training, specified by the approved provider for which instruction is provided.

(2) An instructor certification in CPR or AED that is issued to an individual by an approved provider may not be valid for more than 2 years from the date the certification is issued.

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